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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I live in Hanover County, which is located within Richmond, VA. Due to regulations Hanover County ONLY has a single provider for Broadband Internet. Other areas of Richmond, VA have the ability to choose between multiple providers. Broadband Internet is now more critical than ever. Schools rely on it for homework, reports, and communication. Businesses rely on it for online retail and communication. Homes rely on it to perform work and school activities, as well as entertainment. We need more competition to allow services to be more affordable. Price hikes for limited services from a single provider force us to either accept the ridiculous price increases or cancel services because it can no longer be afforded. When there are competing providers, it drives price comparison, which typically means lower prices. Lower prices keep the people happy, and more competition means there are more options to choose from that meet the needs of the consumers.

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